Setting up of more Telephone Exchanges in Bhubaneshwar

1389. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Orissa Telecom. Circle and the D.O.T. have not taken any interest for setting up of more exchanges in Bhubaneshwar particularly in the housing colonies being developed by different authorities for Bhubaneshwar;

(b) which are the sanctioned projects being considered for the newly coming up Housing Colonies of Bhubaneshwar particularly in Ghatikia, Bharatpur etc; and

(c) what is the expansion/commissioning plan for the near future for Bhubaneshwar and other District Headquarters of Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Following exchanges are planned to be commissioned in Bhubaneshwar in the current year 93-94 to provide telephone connections including the housing colonies.

(l) Mancheswar—1000 lines expansion.

(i) Aiginia—512 Port C-DOT

(iii) Chandika—1000 lines E-10B RLU

Telephone exchange at Aiginia will cover the areas of Ghatika and Bharatpur.

(c) Expansion and commissioning of telephones exchanges in the District Headquarters of Orissa in near future is given in the Statement.

Statement II

Expansion/Commissioning of Telephone Exchanges in District Head Quarters of Orissa in 1993-94

S. No.	Name of District Headquarters	Plans
1	Balasore	3500 lines C-DOT
2	Cuttack	1000 lines RLU
3	Dhenkanal	512 Port C-DOT
4	Chhatarpur	512 Port C-DOT
5	Koenjhar	512 Port C-DOT
6	Koraput	512 Port ILT
7	Baripada	2000 lines C-DOT
8	Puri	3000 lines C-DOT
9	Sundargarh	512 Port C-DOT
10	Angul	1400 lines C-DOT
11	Shadrak	2048 Port ILT
12	Paralakhemundi	512 Port C-DOT
13	Jagatsinghpur	1000 Lines C-DOT
14	Bhubaneswar	(*i*) Mancheswar—1000 lines E-10B expansion. (*ii*) Alginia—512 Port C-DOT (*iii*) Chandka—1000 Lines E-10B RLU
15	Nayagarh	1000 lines C-DOT